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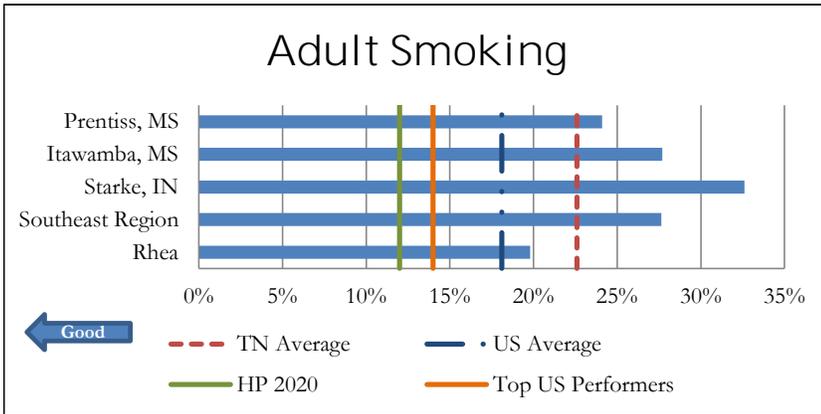
## DRIVE YOUR COUNTY TO THE TOP TEN:

Accelerating Action Towards Improving County Health

### Rhea County

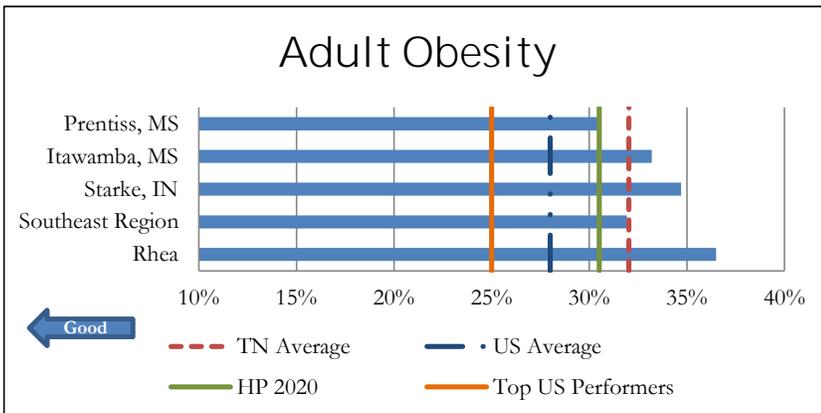


<b>Demographics</b>	<b>Population:</b>	32,513	<b>&lt;18 YOA:</b>	23.30%	<b>65+ YOA:</b>	17.13%	<b>% Rural:</b>	68.02%
	<b>Unemployment:</b>	11.26%	<b>% Females:</b>	50.82%	<b>% Males:</b>	49.18%	<b>Graduation Rate:</b>	82.00
	<b>Single parent households:</b>	36.05%	<b>MHI:</b>	\$38,860				



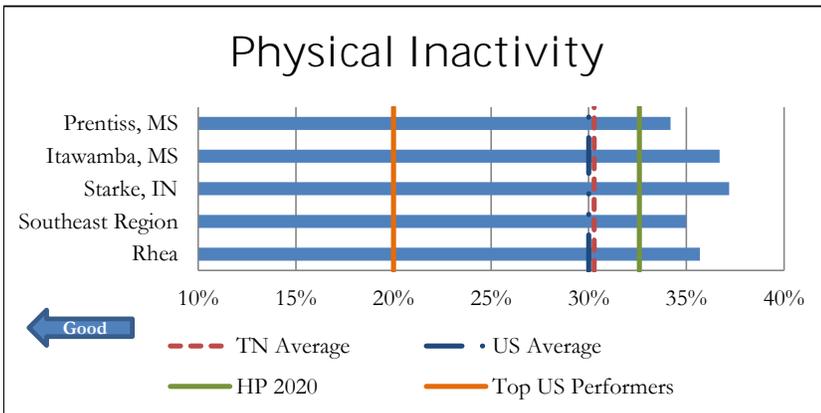
### Top Third

Measure	Value
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Deaths	14.81%
Mammography Screening	66.03%
Driving Alone to Work	80.25%
Adult Smoking	19.80%
Long Commute - Driving Alone	27.50%



### Middle Third

Measure	Value
Preventable Hospital Stays	78.94
Social Associations	11.78
Income Inequality	4.44
Uninsured	16.42%
Access to Exercise Opportunities	58.84%
Children in Poverty	28.40%
Violent Crime	339.74
Air Pollution - Particulate Matter	13.64
Premature Death	9,985.29
Poor or Fair Health	24.60%



### Bottom Third

Measure	Value
Adult Obesity	36.50%
Teen Births	65.46
High School Graduation	82.00%
Drinking Water Violations	7.98%
Diabetic Monitoring	83.62%
Unemployment	11.26%
Children in Single-Parent Households	36.05%
Physical Inactivity	35.70%
Dentists	4645:1
Poor Mental Health Days	4.80

YOA: Years of Age. MHI: Median Household Income. HP 2020: Healthy People 2020 Goal. Adult Smoking: Percentage of adults who are current smokers. Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System; 2006-2012. Adult Obesity: Percentage of adults that report a BMI of 30 or more. Source: CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas; 2011. Physical Inactivity: Percentage of adults aged 20 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity. Source: CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas; 2011. Prepared by the Division of Policy, Planning and Assessment, Office of Performance Management, Tennessee Department of Health. Nashville, TN. opm.health@tn.gov or 615-741-5001.



Health Outcomes	Length of Life	Health Outcomes								
		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
Health Outcomes	Premature Death  <a href="#">Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted)</a>	48	Lewis	9985.29	7769.75	2215.54	↑Bad ↓Good	6,811.00	Starke, IN	11782.75
		For every 100 people in the county, 1 people in the county need to live one year closer to age 75.							Itawamba, MS	9875.49
		Source	National Center for Health Statistics - Mortality files		Year(s)	2010-2012		Prentiss, MS	11354.39	
	Poor or Fair Health  <a href="#">Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted)</a>	55	Putnam	24.60%	16.60%	8.00%	↑Bad ↓Good	12.40%	Starke, IN	20.40%
		Improve the health of 8 out of every 100 people in the county who, in general, report being in poor or fair health.							Itawamba, MS	26.80%
		Source	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System		Year(s)	2006-2012		Prentiss, MS	24.80%	
	Poor Physical Health Days*  <a href="#">Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)</a>	61	Chester	5.50	3.40	2.10	↑Bad ↓Good	3.70	Starke, IN	4.40
		Engage people in the county on ways to reduce number of poor physical health days reported by residents by 3 days per month.							Itawamba, MS	4.90
		Source	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System		Year(s)	2006-2012		Prentiss, MS	4.80	
	Poor Mental Health Days  <a href="#">Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)</a>	67	Henderson	4.80	2.80	2.00	↑Bad ↓Good	3.50	Starke, IN	4.80
		Engage people in the county on ways to reduce number of poor physical health days reported by residents by 2 days per month.							Itawamba, MS	5.20
		Source	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System		Year(s)	2006-2012		Prentiss, MS	4.60	
Low Birthweight  <a href="#">Percentage of live births with low birthweight (&lt; 2500 grams)</a>	66	Lewis	9.12%	7.29%	1.83%	↑Bad ↓Good	8.10%	Starke, IN	7.39%	
	Reduce the number of low birth weight babies by 2 for every 100 live births.							Itawamba, MS	8.59%	
	Source	National Center for Health Statistics - Natality files		Year(s)	2006-2012		Prentiss, MS	10.36%		
Health Factors	Adult Smoking  <a href="#">Percentage of adults who are current smokers</a>	13	Knox	19.80%	18.50%	1.30%	↑Bad ↓Good	18.10%	Starke, IN	32.60%
		Get 7 out of every 100 current adult smokers in the county to quit smoking.							Itawamba, MS	27.70%
		Source	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System		Year(s)	2006-2012		Prentiss, MS	24.10%	
	Adult Obesity  <a href="#">Percentage of adults that report a BMI of 30 or more</a>	90	Hamilton	36.50%	29.10%	7.40%	↑Bad ↓Good	28.00%	Starke, IN	34.70%
		Get 21 out of every 100 current obese adults in the county to reduce their BMI below 30.							Itawamba, MS	33.20%
		Source	CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas		Year(s)	2011		Prentiss, MS	30.50%	
	Food Environment Index  <a href="#">Index of factors that contribute to a healthy food environment, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)</a>	62	Williamson	7.00	8.9	1.9	↑Good ↓Bad	7.60	Starke, IN	7.50
		Increase the county's food index score by 1.9.							Itawamba, MS	7.40
		Source	USDA Food Environment Atlas, Map the Meal Gap		Year(s)	2012		Prentiss, MS	6.90	

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Health Factors

Health Behaviors

Physical Inactivity	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	71	Wilson	35.70%	28.50%	7.20%	↑Bad ↓Good	30.00%	Starke, IN	37.20%
<a href="#">Percentage of adults aged 20 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity</a>	Get 21 out of every 100 currently physically inactive adults to exercise during leisure time.							Itawamba, MS	36.70%
Source	CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas			Year(s)	2011		Prentiss, MS	34.20%	
Access to Exercise Opportunities	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	41	Loudon	58.84%	78.50%	19.66%	↑Good ↓Bad	77.00%	Starke, IN	60.57%
<a href="#">Percentage of population with adequate access to locations for physical activity</a>	Consider how to remove barriers to access exercise locations to reach an additional 19.66 percent of the county's population.							Itawamba, MS	37.22%
Source	Business Analyst, Delorme, ESRI, & US Census Tigerline Files			Year(s)	2010 & 2013		Prentiss, MS	47.85%	
Excessive Drinking	Rank	1st Ranked	Value	1st Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	NA	Greene	NA	3.30%	NA	↑Bad ↓Good	15.00%	Starke, IN	20.10%
<a href="#">Percentage of adults reporting binge or heavy drinking</a>	No information available							Itawamba, MS	6.90%
Source	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012		Prentiss, MS	8.80%	
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Deaths	Rank	1st Ranked	Value	1st Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	4	Johnson	14.81%	9.09%	5.72%	↑Bad ↓Good	32.00%	Starke, IN	31.03%
<a href="#">Percentage of driving deaths with alcohol involvement</a>	Reduce the number of alcohol related driving deaths by 5.72 percent.							Itawamba, MS	8.82%
Source	Fatality Analysis Reporting System			Year(s)	2009-2013		Prentiss, MS	34.62%	
Sexually Transmitted Infections	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	60	Scott	328.70	144.30	184.40	↑Bad ↓Good	458.00	Starke, IN	81.90
<a href="#">Number of newly diagnosed chlamydia cases per 100,000 population</a>	Consider ways to educate 6 out of every 10 persons self-reporting to be involved in any sexual contact to commit to using safe sex practices to prevent the infection of Chlamydia.							Itawamba, MS	488.40
Source	National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, & TB Prevention			Year(s)	2012		Prentiss, MS	315.10	
Teen Births	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	88	Putnam	65.46	37.04	28.41	↑Bad ↓Good	31.00	Starke, IN	46.61
<a href="#">Teen birth rate per 1,000 female population, ages 15-19</a>	For every 100 teenage females (ages 15 to 19 years) in the county, consider ways to prevent 44 teen(s) from becoming pregnant.							Itawamba, MS	47.14
Source	National Center for Health Statistics - Natality files			Year(s)	2006-2012		Prentiss, MS	65.35	

Clinical Care

Uninsured	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	38	Blount	16.42%	14.64%	1.79%	↑Bad ↓Good	18.00%	Starke, IN	17.23%
<a href="#">Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance</a>	Get 11 out of every 100 currently uninsured adults ages 18-64 to obtain health insurance.							Itawamba, MS	19.83%
Source	Small Area Health Insurance Estimates			Year(s)	2012		Prentiss, MS	20.17%	
Primary Care Physicians	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	57	Anderson	2687:1	1397:1	1290	↑Bad ↓Good	1,355.00	Starke, IN	3316:1
<a href="#">Ratio of population to primary care physicians</a>	To reach a population-to-provider ratio at or exceeding that of the 10th ranking county, 12 primary care providers would need to be recruited to the county. More importantly, if the county's value is greater than 3,500, this county would be considered a Health Professional Shortage Area.							Itawamba, MS	4668:1
Source	Area Health Resource File/American Medical Association			Year(s)	2012		Prentiss, MS	1814:1	
Dentists	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	69	Maury	4645:1	1675:1	2970	↑Bad ↓Good	1,663.00	Starke, IN	11599:1
<a href="#">Ratio of population to dentists</a>	To reach a population-to-provider ratio at or exceeding that of the 10th ranking county, 13 dental care providers would need to be recruited to the county. More importantly, if the county's value is greater than 5,000, this county would be considered a Health Professional Shortage Area.							Itawamba, MS	5859:1
Source	Area Health Resource File/American Medical Association			Year(s)	2013		Prentiss, MS	2539:1	

Health Factors	Clinical Care	Mental Health Providers		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
		<a href="#">Ratio of population to mental health providers</a>		58	McNairy	3613:1	688:1	2925	↑Bad ↓Good	753	Starke, IN	7732:1
		<b>To reach a population-to-provider ratio at or exceeding that of the 10th ranking county, 39 mental health providers would need to be recruited to the county. More importantly, if the county's value is greater than 30,000, this county would be considered a Health Professional Shortage Area.</b>									Itawamba, MS	5859:1
		Source		CMS, National Provider Identification file			Year(s)		2014	Prentiss, MS	1813:1	
		Preventable Hospital Stays		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Number of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 1,000 Medicare enrollees</a>		32	Marshall	78.94	58.47	20.47	↑Bad ↓Good	65.00	Starke, IN	93.78		
		<b>For every 100 Medicare enrollees, prevent 1 Medicare enrollees from being hospitalized for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions.</b>									Itawamba, MS	52.77
		Source		Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care			Year(s)		2012	Prentiss, MS	79.17	
		Diabetic Monitoring		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Percentage of diabetic Medicare enrollees ages 65-75 that receive HbA1c monitoring</a>		80	Crockett	83.62%	88.92%	5.30%	↑Good ↓Bad	84.00%	Starke, IN	84.39%		
		<b>For every 100 diabetic Medicare enrollees, get 6 additional Medicare enrollees to receive HbA1c screening.</b>									Itawamba, MS	87.73%
		Source		Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care			Year(s)		2012	Prentiss, MS	87.33%	
		Mammography Screening		Rank	5th Ranked	Value	5th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Percentage of female Medicare enrollees ages 67-69 that receive mammography screening</a>		9	Rutherford	66.03%	67.25%	1.22%	↑Good ↓Bad	63.00%	Starke, IN	44.03%		
		<b>For every 100 female Medicare enrollees, get 2 additional Medicare enrollees to receive their mammography screening.</b>									Itawamba, MS	50.90%
		Source		Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care			Year(s)		2012	Prentiss, MS	50.00%	
		High School Graduation		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Percentage of ninth-grade cohort that graduates in four years</a>		86	Carroll	82.00%	95.32%	13.32%	↑Good ↓Bad	80.00%	Starke, IN	80.79%		
		<b>For every 100 ninth graders, assist 14 additional ninth graders to graduate within four years.</b>									Itawamba, MS	81.00%
		Source		data.gov, supplemented w/ National Center for Education Statistics			Year(s)		2011-2012	Prentiss, MS	83.83%	
		Some College		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Percentage of adults ages 25-44 years with some post-secondary education</a>		64	Shelby	39.49%	62.09%	22.61%	↑Good ↓Bad	63.00%	Starke, IN	51.40%		
		<b>For every 100 adults between 25-44 years of age, assist 2261 additional adults to complete some coursework at the collegiate level.</b>									Itawamba, MS	53.03%
		Source		American Community Survey			Year(s)		2009-2013	Prentiss, MS	45.70%	
		Unemployment		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work</a>		79	Blount	11.26%	6.89%	4.37%	↑Bad ↓Good	8.10%	Starke, IN	9.08%		
		<b>For every 100 persons ages 16 years and older, help 5 persons successfully find employment.</b>									Itawamba, MS	8.76%
		Source		Bureau of Labor Statistics			Year(s)		2013	Prentiss, MS	9.06%	
		Children in Poverty		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Percentage of children under age 18 in poverty</a>		42	Montgomery	28.40%	21.40%	7.00%	↑Bad ↓Good	23.00%	Starke, IN	28.40%		
		<b>For every 100 children (under 18 years) in poverty, help 25 children to find assistance to get out of poverty.</b>									Itawamba, MS	27.00%
		Source		Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates			Year(s)		2013	Prentiss, MS	31.70%	
		Income Inequality		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
<a href="#">Ratio of household income at the 80th percentile to income at the 20th percentile</a>		37	Williamson	4.44	4.11	0.34	↑Bad ↓Good	NA	Starke, IN	3.71		
		<b>To reach a household income ratio at or below that of the 10th ranking county reduce the gap between the 80th percentile and 20th percentile by 1 household(s).</b>									Itawamba, MS	4.52
		Source		American Community Survey			Year(s)		2009-2013	Prentiss, MS	4.37	

Health Factors

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Social & Economic Factors

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Children in Single-Parent Households	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	76	Cheatham	36.05%	25.43%	10.62%	↑Bad ↓Good	21.00%	Starke, IN	31.97%
<a href="#">Percentage of children that live in a household headed by single parent</a>	For every 100 single parent households in the county, investigate ways to encourage 30 households to be a multi-parent household.							Itawamba, MS	25.24%
Source	American Community Survey		Year(s)		2009-2013		Prentiss, MS	36.93%	
Social Associations	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
35	Henry	11.78	16.70	4.91	↑Good ↓Bad	33.00%	Starke, IN	12.49	
<a href="#">Number of membership associations per 10,000 population</a>	For every 100 people in the county, increase the number of membership associations by 1.							Itawamba, MS	11.14
Source	County Business Patterns		Year(s)		2012		Prentiss, MS	10.63	
Violent Crime	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
47	Carter	339.74	206.33	133.41	↑Bad ↓Good	387.00	Starke, IN	178.27	
<a href="#">Number of reported violent crime offenses per 100,000 population</a>	For every 100 persons in the county, prevent 40 people from committing a violent crime.							Itawamba, MS	121.61
Source	Uniform Crime Reporting - FBI		Year(s)		2010-2012		Prentiss, MS	NA	
Injury Deaths	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
57	Fayette	95.50	68.81	26.69	↑Bad ↓Good	59.00	Starke, IN	104.72	
<a href="#">Number of deaths due to injury per 100,000 population</a>	For every 1,000 population consider ways to prevent 280 deaths as a result of intentional and unintentional injury.							Itawamba, MS	117.28
Source	CDC WONDER mortality data		Year(s)		2008-2012		Prentiss, MS	81.87	
Air Pollution - Particulate Matter	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
47	Greene	13.64	13.14	0.50	↑Bad ↓Good	11.10	Starke, IN	13.21	
<a href="#">Average daily density of fine particulate matter in micrograms per cubic meter (PM2.5)</a>	Reduce the average daily measure of fine particulate matter by 0.5 micrograms per cubic meter (PM2.5).							Itawamba, MS	12.16
Source	CDC WONDER Environmental data		Year(s)		2011		Prentiss, MS	12.52	

Physical Environment

Drinking Water Violations	Rank	1st Ranked	Value	1st Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
84	Anderson	7.98%	0.00%	7.98%	↑Bad ↓Good	8.00%	Starke, IN	0.00%	
<a href="#">Percentage of population potentially exposed to water exceeding a violation limit during the past year</a>	For every 100 persons in the county exposed to water violations, assist 1 person(s) from exposure to health-based violations in public water systems.							Itawamba, MS	0.00%
Source	Safe Drinking Water Information System		Year(s)		FY2013-14		Prentiss, MS	0.00%	
Severe Housing Problems	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
65	Lewis	14.48%	10.96%	3.52%	↑Bad ↓Good	19.00%	Starke, IN	15.77%	
<a href="#">Percentage of households with at least 1 of 4 housing problems: overcrowding, high housing costs, or lack of kitchen or plumbing facilities</a>	For every 100 persons in the county experiencing housing problems, help 25 person(s) to find housing assistance.							Itawamba, MS	8.91%
Source	Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data		Year(s)		2007-2011		Prentiss, MS	12.19%	
Driving Alone to Work	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
12	Davidson	80.25%	80.03%	0.22%	↑Bad ↓Good	76.00%	Starke, IN	81.74%	
<a href="#">Percentage of the workforce that drives alone to work</a>	For every 100 persons that currently drive alone to work, convince 1 to carpool or take mass-transportation.							Itawamba, MS	88.41%
Source	American Community Survey		Year(s)		2009-2013		Prentiss, MS	82.52%	
Long Commute - Driving Alone	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
23	Hamilton	27.50%	25.10%	2.40%	↑Bad ↓Good	34.00%	Starke, IN	40.10%	
<a href="#">Among workers who commute in their car alone, the percentage that commute more than 30 minutes</a>	For every 100 persons that currently drive more than 30 minutes alone to work, convince 9 to carpool or take mass-transportation.							Itawamba, MS	35.00%
Source	American Community Survey		Year(s)		2009-2013		Prentiss, MS	33.80%	